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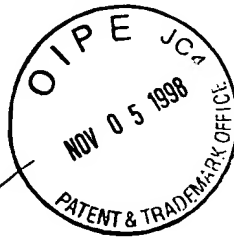
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Shinichi OSHIMA

Application No.: 08/988,181



Group Art Unit: 3711

Filed: December 10, 1997

Examiner: G. Marlo

For: GOLF BALL SELECTION DEVICE

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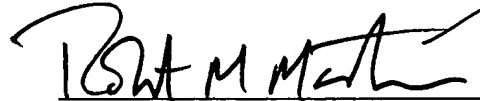
In response to the Examiner's Communication of October 27, 1998, and in further response to the Office Action of August 14, 1998, Applicant hereby elects without traverse Group I directed to claims 12-43 and Species "C" dealing with a box for receiving a golf ball. Applicant notes that in the request for filing this divisional application, claims 1-5 and 10-11 were cancelled. Accordingly, Group I as set forth on page 2 of the August 14, 1998, should include claims 12-43 only, all of which are directed to a package for receiving a golf ball.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the initial response filed on September 14, 1998, was fully responsive. In any event, Applicant respectfully requests an early and favorable examination on the merits.

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Should any other issues remain, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the local telephone exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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